



No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church. No matter what your personal history, age, background, orientation, race or colour. You are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved at the Bishop MacEachern Pastoral Unit.

Third Sunday of Easter
April 14th, 2024

REFLECTION

His peace is himself. His peace is a person. His peace is God. That's why he say's, "Why are you troubled? I am here." "Open your hearts and let me come in. And when I am with you, and when you turn to me in your troubles..."

To accept things, to overcome things, to drive back the evil selfishness that seems to rule the world, and make way, through our difficulties and pain and struggle, to make way for the great peace of God to enter into.

Love one another. Care for each other. Sacrifice for each other. And then we will know that God is with us and will carry us forth, and we need to be afraid of nothing, not even death, for there is no death in God, there's a transition from life to life.

"And the great reality is there is only love, only peace, only grace, and these are the things that we have been gifted with. Not for ourselves, but to share them with each other."

Weekly Mass Schedule: Intentions
April 15th - April 21st

Saturday, April 20th at 4:00 PM - St. Michael's
Harold, Clara, Glen & Wayde McGuigan

by McGuigan Family

Sunday, April 21st at 9:00 AM - St. Paul's
For the People of the Pastoral Unit

Sunday, April 21st at 11:00 AM - St. Mary's
Howard & Mabel McCarron by Family

I will be away from the Parishes until next weekend.
Fr. Andrew



Contact Information: Fr. Andrews' email address is fathermacdonald@hotmail.com.

For our Graduates: For the past number of years St. Mary's has been hosting a Mass to recognize the High School Graduates from the Bishop MacEachern Pastoral Unit. If you, a family member or someone you know is graduating from High School this year, please contact the Parish Office. This is a wonderful opportunity to recognize and wish our Graduates well in the future.

Reflections on Aspects of Nature: This session, facilitated by Sister Bernice Steele, will focus on the four elements of the universe: air, water, fire and earth. Hopefully, after sitting quietly with texts and photographs, viewing some short videos and learning from each other, you will never think of these elements in the same way, giving you a deeper appreciation for Earth, our common home. This session, at The Living Well, 96 Patterson, Hillsborough Park (Charlottetown) is on **April 17th, 1:30-3:30**. A break with a snack is provided. To register email rmd17csm@gmail.com. We are **SCENT FREE**. There is no charge for this session, however, you are welcome to bring a food item for our monthly in-house Food Bank.

Low Gluten Hosts are available. Please indicate "Celiac" when you come for Communion.

The PEI Health Coalition invites you to a Public Meeting: **"Profiting from Healthcare, What's the Problem?"** at **7:00 pm Tuesday, April 23** in the Lecture Theatre of **Colonel Gray High School**, 175 Spring Park Road, Charlottetown. Guest Speaker is Dr. Pat Armstrong, distinguished research professor and writer, York University. Dr. Armstrong is very concerned about the way profit seeking companies are taking over so much of our public health delivery. Universal healthcare is a wonderful example of a country practicing together the second great commandment, **"Love your neighbour as yourself."**

Listening, Speaking and Growing Together: You are invited to join us at the Spirituality Centre on Saturday, April 27 from 10am to 3pm to explore Spiritual Conversation as a tool that deepens relationship and community with God. The session will be facilitated by three members of the P.E.I. Local of the Atlantic Association of the Spiritual Exercises Apostolate. Everyone is welcome to attend. To register, email Sister Joan at drjoancsm@gmail.com by April 22nd. Suggested fee is \$25. Tea and coffee will be available, but please bring your own lunch.

Have you been experiencing problems dealing with anxiety, loss, depression, separation, parenting or relationship issues? Counselling services are available through a project sponsored by **The Living Well**. If you would like to speak to a qualified social worker about these issues you can contact us through e-mail 20tlwp23@gmail.com or call 902 330-2028. All inquiries will be confidential.



Pope Francis has reminded us that Saint Francis of Assisi describes Earth, our common home, as a sister with whom we share our life. On Monday April 22, there will be an **Earth Day concert** at 7:00 pm in the Chapel at The Mount Continuing Care Community (141 Mount Edward Road, Charlottetown). All are welcome. Freewill offerings to support Spirituality Centre programs will be accepted.



PEI Life Association is holding its annual baby bottle campaign, Change4LIFE, from April 7th to May 12th, to promote LIFE on PEI. Join us in helping advance the beauty of LIFE on PEI. Change4LIFE is one of many ways that PEI Life aims to help the most vulnerable on PEI and make changes for LIFE! There are two ways to support: Online option as an individual or as a team is via: www.PEILIFE.org – click donate, or by taking a bottle from the back of the church. Take a bottle, sign up bottle number and your name, fill the bottle, and return it on Sunday, May 12th, Mother's Day. Questions: Call Pat at 902-894-5473 or email office@peilife.org

The Holy Redeemer CWL is having a used book table, a new-to-you table, a pre-owned jewelry table, and plant table sale on April 20th from 9 am to 1 pm at the Jack Blanchard Family Centre, 3 Pond St., Charlottetown. A draw for a gift basket valued at \$200.00 will also be held, with tickets available to purchase for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Everyone is welcome. Admission is free.

Cardinal Raymond Burke invites Catholics to join in praying a nine-month novena seeking Mary's intercession beginning on March 12 and culminating on the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Dec. 12. Sign up to receive the information <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/amp/news/256927/cardinal-burke-promotes-9-month-novena-to-pray-for-the-church-amid-forces-of-sin>

Live your best life in love with your spouse! Unlock the power of your relationship with new ways to do the "I Do" by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. It will be held in PEI at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre, on **April 26-28th 2024**. We need a minimum of 10 couples for this weekend to go ahead. Please consider applying early! For more information and to receive an application form, call 902-626-8875 or email noonans@eastlink.ca

Spring Fling Ceilidh at the Lower Montague Women's Institute Hall, 88 Lower Montague Road, Sunday April 14. Admission by donation for the Hall Renovation Project. Biscuits and Jam, 50/50. Join talented musicians Marie MacIntyre, Barry Hogan, Harold Green, Lisa Holland, George Banks, Kevin Jesso & Kenny MacKinnon to welcome spring!

Schedule for Sacraments
Rehearsal & First Confession (for the three Parishes)
Saturday, April 27th at 10 AM at St. Mary's



First Communion
Saturday, April 27th at 4:00 PM at St. Michael's
Sunday, April 28th at 9:00 AM at St. Paul's
Sunday, April 28th at 11:00 AM at St. Mary's



Confirmation
Confession and Rehearsal
Saturday, May 4th at 10 AM at St. Paul's
Confirmation
Sunday, May 5th at 9:00 AM at St. Paul's

St. Paul's Notice Board

Church Cleaners:
April 14th - 20th / April 21st - April 27th
Phyllis Steele & Janet Whiteway
April 28th - May 4th / May 5th - 11th
Willie & Lois Murphy

St. Mary's Notice Board

Gift Bearers: Do you have a special occasion, Mass Intention for a family member? We are looking to add to our Gift Bearers list. This would be a special way for you, your family or friends to commemorate the occasion. To participate in this Sunday Ministry, please call the Parish Office at 838-2253

Hillcrest United Church Community Garden – If you like to work with the good earth to grow vegetables and flowers, garden plots of two sizes are available. For information and to reserve a plot, please call the office at 902-838-2698.



Pre-Authorized Debit or e-transfer:
Convenient and easy ways to support your Parish Church is with Pre-Authorized Debit (contact the office for info) or e-transfer.
St. Mary's: stmarysparish@pei.aibn.com
St. Paul's: etransferstpauls@gmail.com
St. Michael's: etransferstmichaels@gmail.com



Offerings	
Sunday, April 7th, 2024	
St. Mary's:	\$ 1621.00
St. Michael's:	\$ 452.00
St. Paul's:	\$ 913.00



Readings for Sunday, April 21st
First Reading: Acts 4.7-12
Second Reading: 1 John 3.1-2
Gospel: John 10.11-18

